

The Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

I feel each phone number in the US and it's territories should pay a flat fee per phone number. A customer with one phone number pays 1/2 of what a customer with two phone numbers. A business with 100 phone numbers will pay 100 times what a home owner with one phone number pays. It becomes a tax on each phone line.

On a second note I do not feel there is a need for the USF to exist anymore. The fund itself should be done away with. Phone companies should be required to provide 911 service to every dwelling in the US that someone lives in. This does not mean the dwelling gets any other services, just the ability to dial 911 even if they do not have a telephone number. Schools and libraries need to pay for internet access with local tax dollars. Rural medical facilities should be funded by other means like local taxes, not federal subsidies.

Sincerely,

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